

DECISION-MAKER:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE		
SUBJECT:	ACCESSIBLE SOUTHAMPTON INQUIRY – PROGRESS UPDATE		
DATE OF DECISION:	13 JULY 2023		
REPORT OF:	SCRUTINY MANAGER		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
N/A			
BRIEF SUMMARY			
<p>The Accessible Southampton Scrutiny Inquiry was undertaken by the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel from October 2021 to April 2022. The remit of the inquiry was to identify whether the physical infrastructure of the city creates barriers for disabled people to access all that Southampton has to offer, and if so, to determine what we can do as a city to address this.</p> <p>The Inquiry Panel final report was presented to Cabinet in June 2022 and a response to the recommendations was approved by Cabinet in October 2022.</p> <p>The Chair has requested that the Committee receive an update outlining the progress made by the Executive delivering the agreed actions to make Southampton a more accessible city.</p>			
RECOMMENDATIONS:			
	(i)	That the Committee considers the Accessible Southampton Inquiry progress update briefing attached as Appendix 2.	
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS			
1.	To enable the Committee to undertake their role with regards to scrutinising the implementation of approved scrutiny inquiry recommendations.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED			
2.	None.		
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)			
3.	In 2021/22 the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel conducted an inquiry focussing on opportunities to improve the accessibility of Southampton. The final report Accessible Southampton Inquiry - (southampton.gov.uk) was presented to Cabinet in June 2022 and a response to the Inquiry Panel's		

	recommendations, attached as Appendix 1, was approved by Cabinet in October 2022.
4.	A key role of this Committee is to monitor the implementation by the Executive of the Inquiry Panel's recommendations. Given that over six months have passed since Cabinet approved their response, the Chair requested a progress update to be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee at the 13 July 2023 meeting.
5.	Attached as Appendix 2 is the requested progress update. The Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport will be in attendance to present the update and respond to questions raised.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
6.	Detailed in the attached appendices.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
7.	Detailed in the attached appendices.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
8.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
9.	None
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
10.	None.
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
11.	Adopting the recommendations from the Accessible Southampton Scrutiny Inquiry is an objective outlined in the 2022-2030 Corporate Plan.
KEY DECISION	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	Accessible Southampton Action Plan – Approved by Cabinet in October 2022
2.	Accessible Southampton Inquiry – Progress update
Documents In Members' Rooms	
1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out?	No
Data Protection Impact Assessment	

Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?		No
Other Background Documents Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:		
Title of Background Paper(s)		Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	Accessible Southampton Inquiry - Final report Accessible Southampton Inquiry - (southampton.gov.uk)	
2.	Accessible Southampton Inquiry – Conclusions and Recommendations Conclusion Recommendations.pdf (southampton.gov.uk)	